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Re: FOI Case No. 48680

Dear Mr. Freudenthal:

This is the final response to your November 27, 2018, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request addressed to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) FOIA Office. Your request was forwarded to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) FOIA Office for direct response to you. You requested a copy of "The memorandum of understanding signed between the World Health Organisation and NIAD (sic) on April 13, 2018, to plan and implement the research response to the current outbreak in the DRC."

We searched the files of the NIAID Office of Global Research for records responsive to your request. That search produced the enclosed 5 pages consisting of the memorandum of understanding between the World Health Organization and the NIAID. These records are released to you in full with no redactions. **Please note that the MOU was signed on April 20 not April 13 and that it was not specific to the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak in the DRC.**

If you are not satisfied with the processing and handling of this request, you may contact the NIAID FOIA Public Liaison:

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In certain circumstances provisions of the FOIA and Department of Health and Human Services FOIA Regulations allow us to recover part of the cost of responding to your request. Because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge for the enclosed materials.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lauren Bartok". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lauren" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Bartok".

Lauren Bartok
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Enclosures: 5 electronic pages